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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director (Science and Technology)

SUBJECT : Daily Activity Report - 26 September 1963

1. Mission Status

a. IDEALIST - The U-2 staging team [] and its parent organization, the U-2 detachment at Edwards Air Force Base, California are on standby status.

One mission was flown by the IDEALIST detachment [] on 25 September. The mission was flown against targets in Northeast China; estimate 75% successful. The other mission scheduled for this detachment over North Korea and Manchuria was cancelled due to poor weather in the target area.

b. BRASS KNOB - There was a SAC U-2 mission over Cuba on 25 September; estimate 40% target coverage. There was no reaction to this flight.

c. CORONA - The CORONA/J mission continues normal through the 38th orbit. The first package is due to be recovered at 27/0107 Z.

2. OXCART Flights: 25 September 1963.

a. Aircraft #124 made Flight #140; duration - 2:00 hours. Purpose: INS/air refueling. All systems performed satisfactorily.

b. Aircraft #124 made Flight #141; duration - 1:54 hours. Purpose: Training mission and air refueling. Satisfactory flight.

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25X1A 3. OXCART Status 1700 hours, 25 September 1963.

a. Aircraft #121: Scheduled 26 September for structural demonstration flights.

b. Aircraft #122: Scheduled for engine run-up with new inlet control.

c. Aircraft #125: Scheduled for high speed shakedown flight.

d. Aircraft #126: Scheduled for EGG, INS and ARC-50 tests.

e. Aircraft #127: To be used as mock-up for personal equipment meeting. Awaiting fins.

f. Aircraft #128: Made first engine runs. First aircraft to suffer No Foreign Object Damage (FOD) on early runs.

g. Aircraft #129: Final assembly.